Unable to install Windows from USB: "No images are available" error

- Parallels Desktop
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac App Store Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Pro Edition

Symptoms

Unable to create a virtual machine using USB bootable flash drive.

Wizard boots in Windows but Windows Installer shows an error:

Resolution

1. Stop installation process.

2. **Quit** Parallels Desktop.
3. Open **Finder** and check if Windows installation media mounted. If so, unmount it using **Eject** button.

4. **Start** Parallels Desktop **>** click on **New**
5. Click **Install Windows or another OS from DVD or image file**, then click **Continue**.
6. USB flash drive must be detected in **Operating systems found** list

7. Highlight **USB** source, click on **Continue** and proceed with the installation.

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